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STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS, FOR THREE MONTHS JAN.-MARCH, 1938.

Births - increase 50; Deaths - increase 6; Marriages - decrease 33;
Infant Deaths - increase 4.

POPULATION OF STATE. 31st December 1937, Total 591,201;
Males 295,611; Females 295,590. Metropolitan Area 31st December 1937,
Total 316,190 or 54.0% of State.

NATURAL INCREASE. The excess of births over deaths for the
three months was 1,053 (1,009), an increase of 44.

BIRTHS. For the Quarter 2,245 (2,195) were registered, an
increase of 50. EX-NUPTIAL BIRTHS. 58 (80). LEGITIMATIONS 2 (5).
ADOPTIONS 21 (22). CASES OF MULTIPLE BIRTHS. Twins 26 (24), Triplets
- (-).

MARRIAGES. The marriages celebrated during the quarter numbered
1,299 (1,332), a decrease of 33, but Easter came in this Quarter
for 1937, but not until April in 1938. Civil Marriages were 120 (95)
increase 25, marriages by Ministers decreasing by 58.

DEATHS. The deaths registered for the quarter numbered 1,192
(1,816) being an increase of 6.

PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATHS. (Table 6). Cancer 181 (174),
Diseases of Heart 222 (203), Cerebral Haemorrhage and Softening 113
(120), Accidents 76 (98), Senility 49 (66). Pulmonary Tuberculosis 41
(52), Congenital Debility, Malformations, &c. 50 (51), Nephritis,
Acute and Chronic 59 (53), Diarrhoea and Enteritis 17 (17), Pneumonia
52 (48), Whooping Cough 1 (4), Puerperal Causes 15 (12), Suicides 16
(13), Diphtheria 4 (6).

DEATHS FROM ACCIDENTS, &c. For the three months 76 (98)
deaths were attributed to Accidents, &c. the chief being - Drowning
11 (22), Automobiles 17 (33), Railways 6 (3), Other Transport 7 (5),
Injury from Falls 19 (12).

INFANTILE DEATHS. NO. & CAUSES. 70 (66) deaths were
recorded for the quarter being an increase of 4. The principal causes
were - Whooping Cough 1 (3), Broncho-pneumonia and Pneumonia 4 (4),
Diarrhoea and Enteritis 10 (4), Malformations 7 (9), Congenital Debility
&c. 3 (4), Premature Birth 26 (23), Injury at birth 6 (4), Other
Diseases of early infancy 4 (7), and all other causes 9 (8), total 70
(66).

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED. (Table 5). Increases in the
number of cases during the three months are noted for Erysipelas 25
(18), Poliomyelitis Anterior Acuta 218 (-), Scarlet Fever 59 (39) and
Whooping Cough 166 (127). Decreases - Diphtheria 113 (158), Influenza
5 (42), Puerperal Fever 9 (21) and Pulmonary 75 (93).
Tuberculosis

Details Tables are attached Nos. 1 to 7.

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